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Elba man files \$1 million lawsuit against city & county

An Elba man who was allegedly attacked by an inmate at the Coffee County Jail following his arrest on misdemeanor charges on Christmas Eve, 1986, has filed a \$1 million lawsuit against city and county officials.

The suit, filed last week, was brought by David Stinson against the City of Elba; then-Mayor Bob English and councilmen Gladys Yelverton, John W. Sharpless, Frances Trammel, Jack Prescott and Malcolm Davis; Coffee County

Commission; commissioners Sid Averett, Eugene Bradley, Jimmy Bryan, Billy Eagerton, Bill Faulk, Robert Stephens and Damascus Crittenden; Coffee County Sheriff Brice Paul and County Jail Jailer James Sharpless.

The suit contends that the county jail is operated and maintained by the Coffee County Commission, under the supervision of Sheriff Brice Paul and that the City of Elba, through an agreement, had permission to house its prisoners in the county jail, thus making both the city and county liable for damages.

According to the wording of the suit, on December 24, 1986, David Stinson was arrested in the City of Elba by the Elba Police Department on a misdemeanor charge of assault - 3rd degree, and was transported to the Coffee County Jail by police. Stinson was then placed in a cell with an inmate allegedly being detained for a crime involving extreme violence.

While incarcerated and defenseless in the cell, Stinson alleges that he was savagely attacked by the in-

mate, who with the aid of another inmate, was provided with a deadly weapon identified as a steel padlock.

As a result of the alleged attack, Stinson claimed he suffered severe head and facial injuries, including a compound depressed skull fracture, multiple scalp lacerations, severe pain and mental anguish, as well as permanent and severe injuries that will incur continual medical treatment and expenses.

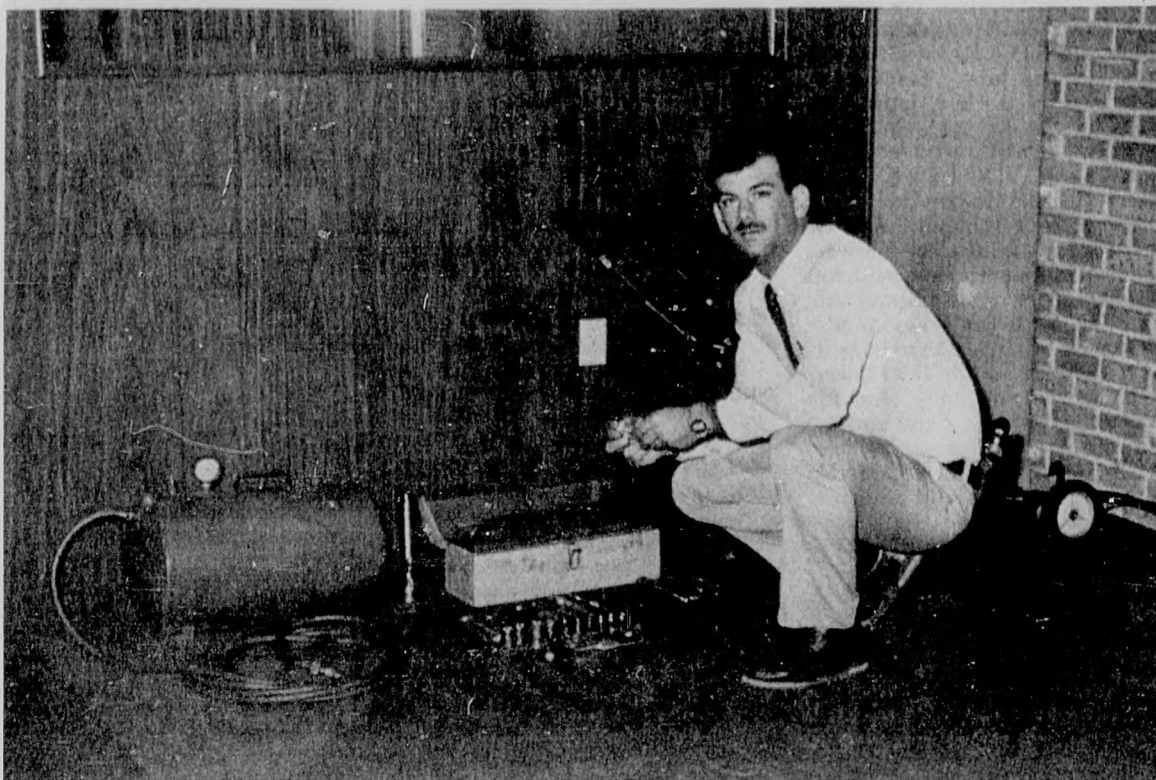
The lawsuit contends that Stinson was deprived of his right to equal protection of laws, freedom from use of excessive and unreasonable force and was impeded from the due course of justice, thus violating Constitutional amendments 4, 5, 8 and 14.

On these counts, Stinson is seeking judgment of \$500,000 plus all court costs.

The second count of the suit, which also seeks \$500,000 in damages, charges that those named in this suit were individually and severely liable for the injuries and damages as a result of "negligence and wantonness."

The second count claims that the city and county failed to protect Stinson from harm; failed to maintain proper jail security; failed to maintain jail security by placing Stinson in a cell with an inmate incarcerated because of an act of extreme violence; failed to provide adequate trained guards and security personnel; failed to provide adequate and sufficient shakedown for weapons and failed to take proper and adequate precautions to safeguard Stinson.

No court date has been set concerning the suit.



ELBA POLICE RECOVER STOLEN MERCHANDISE.—Elba Police Department investigator Wesley Devane displays some of the stolen merchandise recovered recently following a rash of burglaries on Pinedale Drive and Pinecove Street, in Elba. The burglaries occurred over a period of one month and police officials reported that almost all the merchandise reported missing had been recovered. Arrested in connection with the burglaries was Randy Burks, age 20, of Elba.

County jail escapee recaptured recently

An escapee from the Coffee County Jail was arrested last week in Florida in connection with the murder of a Pensacola woman.

Tony Owen Dupree, age 28, escaped from the Coffee County Jail on May 14 after being transferred from the maximum security area of the jail to an unoccupied female cell due to renovation of the facility. He escaped by twisting a bed sheet around a bar in a cell window and pulling the bar out. He then climbed out the window, which was 18 feet off the ground, and over the barbed wire fence surrounding the

jail. The day following the escape, Dupree was sought by Dothan police as a suspect in a stabbing incident and attempted robbery at a Dothan motel.

The escapee was arrested on Thursday night, December 29, 1988, near his home in Santa Rosa

County, Florida, as a suspect in the murder of a 45-year-old Pensacola woman, whose body was discovered floating in a creek near Milton.

The Florida fugitive was being held in Coffee County on a warrant from Covington County at the time of his escape.

Kinston High principal resigns to accept Troy post

The Coffee County Board of Education met on Tuesday night, December 27, and received a letter of resignation from Kinston High School principal Lavon Cain.

Cain, the principal at Kinston for the past 11 years, requested that he be relieved of his duties at the school to allow him to accept a position with the Troy City School System.

Cain's employment as Director of Auxiliary Services in the Troy system was approved at the December 19 meeting of the Troy City School Board and is pending upon his release by the Coffee County Board of Education.

As Director of Auxiliary Services, Cain would direct cafeteria ser-

vices, maintenance and transportation, as well as other duties while serving as an assistant for Troy Supt. of Education John W. Vaughan.

In speaking of Cain, Vaughan stated "He is one of the finest high school principals I know. He is an outstanding, individual, personally and professionally and will be an asset to Troy and the city schools."

Cain is a graduate of Kinston High School, received his BS from Auburn University and Masters from Troy State. He taught 10 years at Fleta Junior High School, in Covington, County, serving nine years as assistant principal, and then became the principal at Kinston.

County assessment committee releases findings

The Assessment Committee appointed by the Coffee County Board of Education recently released its report on the Coffee County School System and Supt. Clayton Bryant stated the report was a "fair assessment of the education being offered at the county schools."

"The report accurately addresses the needs and deficiencies in the system," added Bryant, "and also was positive in recognizing and complimenting areas in which the system was doing well. I think the formation of the committee was a good idea. The committee approached its responsibility in a positive manner and the committee was composed of people interested in the schools and their future. We have made the committee's report available to the public and at PTO meetings around the county we will inform the public of the committee's findings."

The Alabama State Board of Education passed a series of resolutions during July, 1988, which were intended to make the public schools of the state more accountable for the educational program which each provided and one of the resolutions mandated that local boards of education appoint a committee composed of school patrons, government and business leaders and educators to determine the needs of the local system. The assessment was to include a study of the facilities, staffing, transportation, instructional program, pupil-personnel services, financial resources, certification and license regulations and student assessment.

The committee appointed by the county board of education met on October 13, 1988, to organize and at subsequent meetings ate lunch in a school cafeteria, traveled by school bus to tour and inspect the system's facilities, met with school officials in subcommittees to study specific areas of concern and convened to hear the subcommittee reports.

Following is a brief review of the report approved by the committee and submitted to the Coffee County Board of Education:

ASSESSMENT REPORT

The committee feels that the overall program provided through the Coffee County Board of Education adequately meets the needs of the students attending the system's

schools. Evidence of the considerable progress being made in many areas is readily apparent when studied in depth. This improvement is having a profound impact on the overall services provided by the local system.

Even though progress is being made in many areas, there are many areas where additional improvements are needed. An example of this need for improvement is clearly evident when the system's secondary facilities are examined. There also exists obvious staffing and program needs in emerging curriculums such as computers and other technological areas.

INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM

The instructional program was found to be a strong basic program and the existence of locally developed curriculum guides and objectives for each grade and subject is a good indication that the instructional program is given top priority in this system.

CURRICULUM

The system has in place locally developed curriculum guides for each grade level K-6 and subjects taught in grades 7-12. These guides listing skills and objectives are correlated to the Alabama Course of Study, the Alabama Basic Competency Test, the Stanford Achievement Test and the locally adopted textbooks.

The Coffee County School System offers a uniform curriculum at all levels in the schools. All state and locally developed curriculum guides are utilized in the implementation of the program.

STAFFING & CERTIFICATION

It is evident that the areas of staffing and certification are important to the leadership of this system when one considers the progress which has been made in providing the students of Coffee County with a well-trained, properly certified staff of teachers. High emphasis must always be placed on staffing, scheduling and in providing K-12 curriculum as students are prepared to meet the demands of the twenty-first century.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Coffee County School Sys-

tem is serving all identified exceptional students at this time. Efforts are being made to mainstream each child to the maximum extent possible and to provide services which will help the student develop to his maximum potential.

The area of special education is an ever-changing field and one where constant monitoring of the program will be necessary. It is an area where more local funding, staffing and administrative time will be necessary.

PUPIL-PERSONNEL SERVICES

The system presently has the required number of guidance staff to meet accreditation requirements at the high school level...counselors are needed at the elementary level.

The system is to be complimented on students' performance on all state testing...the system utilizes

(Continued...See "Assessment" on Page 2)

Elba City Council members told of busy two weeks for police with total of 120 complaints & 11 DUI's

The Elba City Council met on Tuesday night, December 27, 1988 to conduct routine business.

Once the group had gone through the prayer, roll call and approval of previous minutes, there was nothing left but the report of the police chief and a few words from Mayor Fred Moore.

Chief Freddie Hanchey told the council his department had an active two weeks with 120 complaints including four accidents and 47 traffic citations. In the 47 traffic citations were 11 DUI arrests. There were also six criminal arrests including one that cleared up several burglaries.

Hanchey praised the work of Investigator Wesley DeVane for a good job in recovering the stolen property.

Moore informed the council of the filing of the two half-million dollar lawsuits against the county, city and previous city officials. The suit was filed by David Stinson following injuries he reportedly received while confined to the county jail. The complaint charges the arrest was made by the Elba police.

Moore also reminded city officials of the requirement to file their new campaign finance disclosure forms before the end of January.

The mayor also informed council members of plans to move forward with selecting engineers for the drainage grant that was recently approved for Elba.



ONE INJURED IN TWO-VEHICLE ACCIDENT.—A two car accident on Friday, December 30, at the corner of Reese Avenue (Kinston Highway) and Oak Avenue resulted in major damage to both cars and one injury. According to Elba Police Department records, a 1984 Pontiac Fiero, driven by William Jason Hodge, of Elba, was attempting to turn left from Reese, onto Oak, and failed to observe a vehicle driven by Sammie Dennis Conger, age 31, of DeFuniak Springs, Florida, which was heading north on Reese. Conger reportedly veered off the road in an attempt to avoid the car driven by Hodge, but the cars collided, blocking the roadway. Conger was uninjured in the accident, while Hodge suffered minor injuries.

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

Several weeks ago we announced the promotion Tom Dyess got with the Farmers' Co-op folks. We don't know exactly how the folks in Dale County will receive friend Tom, but feel confident Jimmy Tillis will be well received as he takes over Tom's former job at Curtis. Jimmy is well known and seems to know the business. We look forward to working with him. We also hope Tom is just as successful with his two stores in Dale County.



It is awful hard for us to get ahead of City Council member Eddie Vaughan. However we may ultimately win this battle, as we are now getting some help from his peers. They even posted a cute sign in front of his place at the council table at the last meeting which publicly announced that they were helping me. He has learned one thing however and displayed it at this time: Eddie just smiled and took it good naturedly - he didn't try to get the best of anyone... at least not at that particular time.

Now that the holiday season is over, we are ready to get back to the routine and earn a living. Holidays are great things, but when you get old and set in your ways like this country boy, an extra day off disrupts the way you did your work last month and the month before and the month before that. We did enjoy the visits with family members, maybe a little more than usual, so we don't want the label of *Scrooge*, but do readily admit to being in the ranks of those who are glad it is over.

We are writing most of this before we spend hours and hours trying to watch a half dozen or so football games on the tube Monday; therefore we are not sure we will be able to carry on an intelligent conversation by Tuesday morning. If you talk with us within the several days following January 2, please allow for our slow brain to be a bit further confused. In fact we might show our disagreement with you by pulling a flag from our pocket and walking off a five-yard penalty on you!

With all the extra time off during the holidays, most folks would have caught up with their reading but not at our house. Christmas always brings a good book or two in the stocking and this year was no exception. Somehow or other they are still unread this long after receiving them. Maybe we need to get out the fishing pole, forget the bait and take along one of the new books and read without any interruptions except for the call of the wild birds and animals.

NOTICE

City Privilege Licenses

Are Due

Jan. 1, 1989

& Will Be Delinquent

Feb. 1, 1989

There will be a Penalty Fee Plus Interest Charged If Not Paid By Due Date

Municipal Ordinances require that *all persons* engaged in any exhibition, trade, business, vocation, occupation, profession or calling or doing any action specified within the corporate limits of the City of Elba be subject to a business license

City of Elba

Pat Boothe, City Clerk

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SUBSCRIPTION RATES
Coffee County & Surrounding Counties - \$11.00 Per Year
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6 Months - \$7.00
Outside Alabama - \$13.00 Per Year - Including Sales Tax
6 Months - \$7.00

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ASSESSMENT

es test scores to evaluate the curriculum...parents should be informed of their students' test results. The Coffee County School System has adopted system-wide policies and procedures regarding attendance...the system should continue to emphasize the relationship between school attendance and earned teacher units...parent support should be sought in increasing school attendance.

INFORMATION SERVICES

The system newsletter, which is sent to all parents, is an excellent way to keep the parents informed of school activities...The system should develop a system-wide code of conduct...mandate that the code be included in student and parent handbooks.

HEALTH SERVICES
The school nurse provides vision, hearing and scoliosis screening for all students...funds are needed to provide health services for needy children.

FINANCIAL RESOURCES
The system is being operated on a deficit basis...There is a definite plan for projected revenue and for the expenditure of that revenue. The county-wide sales tax levied by the county commission has had a great impact on the county schools.

FACILITIES
Over the past ten years the school system has very adequately addressed the facility needs at the elementary level by constructing

new schools...Renovations and limited new constructions have recently been made in an attempt to begin addressing the needs at the high schools...The Board of Education should address efforts to upgrade facilities initially in those areas which are used regularly and which will have an immediate positive impact on the academic program in each school. Better traffic signals and traffic controls are needed along the highway at Zion Chapel...More exterior lighting is needed in several locations at various schools.

PUPIL TRANSPORTATION
The board operates 28 buses on regular routes and two mini buses which serve Project Independence. Nine regular buses and one for handicapped students are currently on order...This improvement of the transportation services is a very

large commitment by the board...A thorough study of each route and the departure and arrival times of each bus should be made in order to insure that the travel time for students is kept to a minimum.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT
All schools have active PTO's and support organizations in operation. The system participates in the Foster Grandparents Program, which provides one-on-one assistance for some students.

CHILD NUTRITION
The system-wide operation of the Child Nutrition Program has helped put this needed service on a sound financial basis. The lunchrooms at all three high schools should be enlarged so students can dine in a less congested, less hurried situation.

City Of Elba POLICE REPORT

The Elba Police Department reported an active week with a total of 26 traffic citations (speeding 8, high way invasions 1, driving under the influence 5, driving with a license-2, driving with a suspended license, running a stop sign, expired tag, driving without first obtaining a license-2, driving on the sidewalk, driving on the wrong side of the road, running a red light and allowing minors to drive) and 5 arrests (theft of property 3rd degree-3, assault 3rd degree and violation of Alabama uniformed controlled substance act).

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27
Activity included a wreck on Claxton Avenue (11:49 a.m.) and a prowler on Airport Road (9:45 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28
Activity included a prowler on Hickman Ave. (12:52 a.m.) and a possible theft at the laundromat (9:03 a.m.), a wreck at Forest and Elm (11:37 a.m.) and a disturbance at

Burch's Trailer Park (8:02 p.m.).
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29
Routine activity reported.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30
Activity included a wreck on Claxton Ave. (9:34 a.m.), a wreck at Oak and Reese (4:25 p.m.), a fight at a barber shop on Court (8:40 p.m.), a fight at Beaver Dam Ave. (9:33 p.m.) and a disturbance at Kendrick Apt's (11:17 p.m.).

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31
Activity included a disturbance at Burch's Trailer Park (12:11 a.m.) and a wreck involving a deer on Highway 25 (3:10 p.m.).

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1
Activity included a fire near the lumber yard (11:29 p.m.) and a possible wreck on 189 S. (1:51 p.m.).

MONDAY, JANUARY 2
Activity included a wreck on 84 W. (2:19 p.m.).

Coffee County Sheriff's Dept. Repays Shortage Of Funds

The State Department of Examiners of Public Accounts recently completed its audit of the Coffee County Sheriff's Department and in the report it was discovered that a total of \$5,250 in pistol permit fees received in the Enterprise Division of the county were not deposited in any account. According to the audit, not all receipts from the sale of pistol permits were deposited in the bank for

WE RECEIVE LETTERS

Dear Editor:
I'd like to take this opportunity, via your newspaper, to say, "Thank You" to Jack E. Brunson, Jean Kennett, the Chamber of Commerce, and everyone else who "had a hand" in making the Christmas Festival, Dec. 10, the great success it was!

Speaking for myself, and I'm sure, numerous others, I thoroughly enjoyed all the day's activities, and had a great time.

Again, a big thank you to all who were involved in planning the Christmas Festival '88, and we're already looking forward to Christmas Festival '89.

Wasn't "Our Town" pretty this Christmas? I heard several folks say it looked just like a "storybook picture", and you know, it really did! It looked so charming, quaint, and picturesque w/ the colorful lights outlining the facades of the buildings around the square; the thought-provoking manger scene on the courthouse lawn, making us realize, that, indeed, "Jesus is the reason for the season"; out stately and historic courthouse so beautifully lighted; and the memory-laden "flowing well" fountain so festively decorated!

Wishing everyone a healthy, happy, and prosperous 1989!

Sincerely,
Shirley L. Wise

Bulletin Board
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ROTARY CLUB - Mon. Noon - Ye Old Hickory Pl.
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ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN. - Thurs. - Ye Old Hickory Pl.
JAYCEES - 1st & 3rd Thurs. - 7 p.m. - Beaver Dam Restaurant
CITY COUNCIL - 2nd & 4th Mon. - 5 p.m.
LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 6:30 p.m. Beaver Dam Rest.
ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 1st Thurs. - 5 p.m. - Sup. Office
AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Thurs. - 7:30 p.m. - Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.
BOY SCOUTS - Mon. 7 p.m. - Over old City Hall
RESCUE SQUAD - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 7 p.m. - Library
WATER & ELECTRIC - 2nd Tues. - 5 p.m. - City Hall
MASONIC LODGE 176 - 1st Sat. & 3rd Sun. 7 p.m. - Old City Hall
AA - Wed. 8 p.m. & Sun. 6 p.m. - Old City Hall
BAND BOOSTERS - 1st Mon. - 7 p.m. - Band Room
VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER - Tues. Thurs. 8:30-4:30, 897-2924
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Marijuana Eradication Program Results In Discovery Of 187,000 Plants

A total of 187,000 plants valued at \$149.6 million were located and destroyed in Alabama during the 1988 Domestic Marijuana Eradication Program, according to Col. Thomas H. Wells, state Public Safety Director.

Despite drought conditions earlier this year that affected marijuana growth and other crops, this is the highest yearly total recorded in Alabama since the program was implemented in 1982, said Col. Wells.

The marijuana was found in 64 counties in 1,283 separate plots from March through November and the plants ranged from one inch to 18 feet in height.

Eighty persons were arrested in connection with the program and other drugs and property were confiscated valued at a total of \$22,992.

Coffee County had a relatively quiet year in the program, as only 123 plants were located; however, it

was a banner year to grow the crop in Covington County, with 2,578 plants reportedly located. Geneva County had 764 plants discovered, while Pike County had 486, Crenshaw 211 and Dale 108.

Sponsored nationwide by the Drug Enforcement Administration, the program in Alabama is coordinated by the Narcotics Unit of the Department of Public Safety. The program is a coordinated effort of local, county, state and federal law enforcement agencies to seek out and destroy the state's domestic marijuana crop.

State trooper pilots and other state pilots locate much of the marijuana and then alert local, county and other state officers, who make up the ground crews that destroy the marijuana. Concerned citizens also help law enforcement officials locate many of the illegal plants.

The efforts of each law enforcement agency involved and the alert citizens of Alabama are responsible for the success of this year's eradication program, added Wells.

State Service Finds

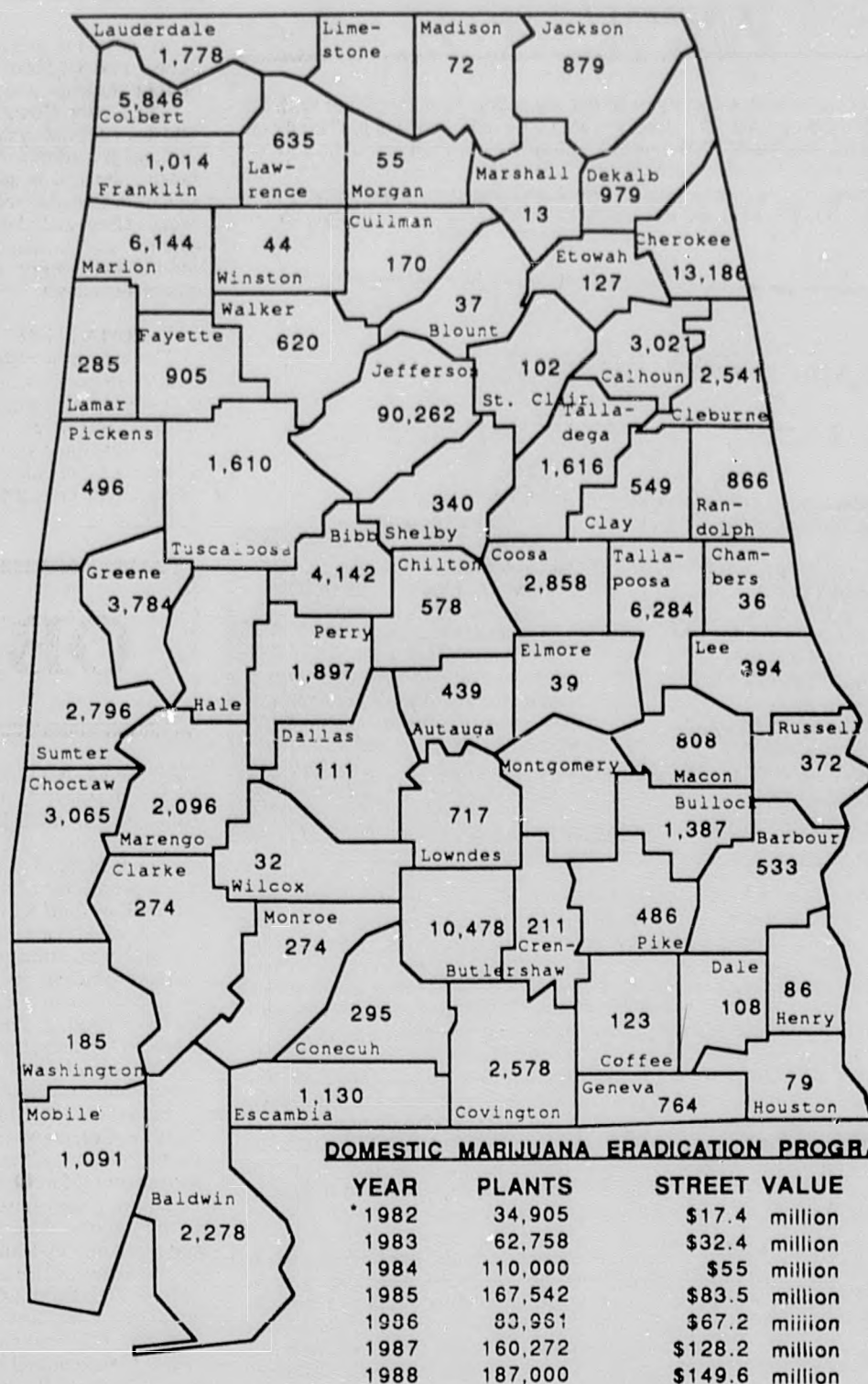
Jobs For 8,553

Alabama workers who found jobs through the State Employment Service numbered 8,553 during the month of October. The State Employment Service has 36 local offices throughout the state providing job placement and related services to workers.

In addition to job placement, the State Employment Service administers a popular tax benefit program, the Targeted Jobs Tax Credit (TJTC). TJTC was recently extended by the Tax Technical Corrections Act through December 1989.

The federal program provides employers with an annual tax credit of up to \$2,400 for each newly hired full-time worker.

1988 DOMESTIC MARIJUANA ERADICATION PROGRAM



*Partial year figures for 1982



Chris Dubisar, left, is winner of a bicycle given away during a registration drawing from Taylor Parts, Elba. Doug Dunn, manager of the local store, presents Dubisar with the new bike.



Johnny Manning and Ed Manning show off three deer killed by their hunting party on January 2. The three included a spike, 8-point and a doe.

MILITARY NEWS

Pvt. Clark Completes Training

Army National Guard Pvt. Eric T. Clark, son of Jack R. Clark of New Brockton, AL, and Linda R. Clark of Dothan, AL, has completed basic training at Fort Knox, KY. During the training, students receive

instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

He is a 1987 graduate of New Brockton High School.

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ZION CHAPEL ELECTS FIRST CITIZENS

BY RANDY FLOWERS

Mr. William Kendall Grisett and Miss Michele Lea McLendon were chosen by the student body to represent their school as Mr. and Miss Zion Chapel.

These two outstanding citizens were chosen by secret ballot, with each student being given a ballot with the names of all the seniors and the students circled the name of the young man and woman of their choice. After all the ballots were received they were counted and the winners were determined by the Rebel '89 staff, under the supervision of Mrs. Rachel Bryan, Rebel '89 sponsor.

The criteria for choosing Z.C.'s first citizens included popularity (mainly), as well as looks, personality and leadership.

The retiring first citizens are Mr. Sean Collins and Miss Tammy Duncan. Last year's first citizens were special, but Zion Chapel is well pleased with its choice and has the utmost confidence that they will represent their school as they would have it represented - with "CLASS!"

Juniors To Be Tested On Book

BY JACKIE HERBERT

"Do we have to read the whole thing?"

This has been the question the junior class has been asking since October when they were told they had to read *Gone With The Wind*.

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COFFEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
KINSTON SCHOOL K-12

Position Responsibilities - Overall Administrative Responsibility For Grades K-12, Direct Administrative Responsibility For Grades 7-12.

EFFECTIVE DATE - FEBRUARY 9, 1989 (approximate)

APPLICATION DEADLINE - JANUARY 17, 1989 or until position is filled

QUALIFICATIONS - Minimum of a Masters Degree. ALABAMA CERTIFICATION in Administration & Supervision. Must demonstrate a knowledge of secondary curriculum and supervision, must demonstrate the ability to communicate orally and in writing. Prior successful secondary administrative experience is strongly desired.

TO APPLY - Contact: Clayton P. Bryant
Superintendent
Coffee County Board of Education
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Elba, Alabama 36323
Office: 897-6300
Home: 347-4006

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Rachel Bryan - Sponsor
Lisa Holcomb & David Jackson - Editors

Seniors Need To Order Portraits

BY FRAN WALLACE

The seniors received their proofs during the Thanksgiving holidays and everyone was all excited, bringing their proofs for everyone to see. The excitement

Boiler Fixed After Springing Leak

BY GAYLE PYFROM

Zion Chapel's boiler broke the week before school got out for the holidays. The boiler had sprung a leak, but the hole was welded up that same Friday night and was in working order by the next Monday morning.

Mr. Martin Mobley, maintenance engineer, said the school had been having a lot of trouble with the boiler leaking for the past two years.

"That same boiler has been here as

ment has died down now and some have even forgotten, but the seniors need to send their orders off within the next week, so that the color proofs will be in time for the color deadline of the annual.

long as I can remember," said Mr. Mobley, when asked how old it was, "and the school was built in 1936, so for all I know it could be the same boiler that was put in then."

Mr. Mobley went on to say, however, that Zion Chapel had been promised a central heating system to replace the boiler. The new system would provide a unit for every two rooms and is supposed to be ready for the next school year.

Self Service Lunches Are Working

BY JOANN CULVER

Self-service for preparing lunch trays has now been in use for three weeks at Zion Chapel.

The students have adjusted well to the new method and have realized that they can get more food for their money using the method.

Mr. Parker, the lunchroom manager, reported that getting plates served is much faster and the students now have more time to eat.

gram is the cooperation of the students and also their increasing participation.

The number of students eating has gone from 345 to 550.

Mrs. Parker also said that another major contribution to the success of the lunchroom large enough for the population would make the service even faster.

Mrs. Parker went on to say that a lunchroom large enough for the population would make the service even faster.

Important to the success of the pro-



LOCAL STUDENTS ATTEND UAB BAND CLINIC

BY DANA DEAN

Anthony Oliver, Dana Dean, Sabalina Griffin and Teresa Owens (pictured above) recently attended the 1st annual UAB Honor Band.

There were over 300 applicants for the band and only 100 were chosen. The guest conductor of the band was Mr. Jim Clark, director of bands at Berry College.

The band students spent several hours in rehearsal and then were allowed time to tour the campus and Birmingham. Several students spent their spare time shopping at the Galleria mall.

The students ended their weekend by performing a concert. The concert music consisted of "The Observing Visitor," "Norma," "Lassus Trombone," "Ella's Procession to the Cathedral," "Flutation" and the "Finale," which consisted of patriotic tunes.

The group was chaperoned by Mrs. Shirley Dean and was accompanied by the family of Teresa Owens.

Mrs. Pat Powell Is Now Retired

BY PAMELA FRANKLIN

Mrs. Pat Powell retired from teaching this Christmas after teaching for thirty years and two months, twenty-two of those years having been spent at Zion Chapel.

Retirement Dinner

Honors Mrs. Wilson

BY DAVID JACKSON

A retirement dinner was held at the home of Mrs. Gale Jackson on December 8, in honor of Mrs. Lela Wilson, who retires this year.

Mr. Nelson Whitehurst, principal, made a speech telling how valuable Mrs. Wilson has been to Zion Chapel. A covered dish meal was then served with the entire being baked ham. Coffee and cake was served as everyone sat around chatting.

After the meal, Mrs. Wilson received several gifts from the faculty, including a Nortaki vase, a watch and a necklace.

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Mrs. Lela Wilson Retires After 23 Years At School

BY FRAN WALLACE

Mrs. Lela Wilson, who has been school secretary for twenty-three years, is retiring as of January 1, 1989. Mrs. Wilson said what she liked best about Z.C. was the fellowship of the students and faculty and that she enjoyed the work.

The principals that she has worked with during her secretarial career were Mr. Ned Young, Mr. Douglas Green, Mr. Leicher Mitchell, Dr. William Crabtree and Mr. Nelson Whitehurst, who is the current principal.

Some of the duties of her secretarial work were to file, to do financial reports, to complete payrolls, to receive money from various organizations, to pay bills, as well as other general secretarial work. Mrs. Wilson has two children, Teresa Lambert, who lives in Dothan, has one child, Jon Michael, and is expecting another child and Ray Wilson, who lives in Birmingham and who has two children, Micah and Kara. Mrs. Wilson's oldest child, Sandra, who is now deceased, was the mother of Mrs. Wilson's oldest grandchild, Brad Sullivan, who lives in Gordo, but gets to visit his grandparents frequently.

Teresa and Sandra both graduated from Zion Chapel, while Ray attended Zion Chapel for several years and graduated from Elba.



When the faculty was asked to comment on Mrs. Wilson's retirement the general reaction was that they wanted her to continue working and they really didn't know what they would do without her to keep them straight!



Zion Chapel sixth graders are ready to mail letter to Japan.

SIXTH GRADERS WRITE WORLD'S LONGEST LETTER

BY GAYLE PYFROM

It's 14 feet long and bound for Japan in a Pringles' can, but Zion Chapel's sixth graders are proud of it and justifiably so!

The letter was addressed to Ms. Ikuko Serito, a Japanese Cultural Exchange person, who was in the Coffee County School system last year for about a month. Ms. Serito's visit to Zion Chapel made quite an impression on the sixth grade class as she shared some of the culture, artwork and customs with them.

"And, this year," said Mrs. Opal Stinson, sixth grade teacher, "the sixth graders have written back to her the world's longest letter."

Each sixth grader wrote an individual letter to Ms. Serito and each letter was pasted onto a roll of butcher paper 14 feet long. After being laminated, the letter was rolled up and a Pringles' can served as its envelope.

The can was wrapped in blue construction paper, taped up and mailed to Japan, where the 14 feet long letter will no doubt accomplish its goal of "expressing our appreciation for her," as Mrs. Stinson so modestly put it.

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HORTICULTURE TIPS

By Dan Presley - County Agent Coordinator

Planting Trees and Shrubs

Most trees and shrubs if given a choice would prefer to be planted in the fall.

It is true that shrubs and trees may not look as attractive in the fall as in the spring because most top growth is slowing and leaves are fading and falling to the ground.

Plant roots are filled with carbohydrates (extra energy) produced by the leaves all season long and they're ready to explode with growth.

Research has shown that roots will grow actively in soils 40 degrees or warmer. Most of our soils don't drop below 40 degrees for any length of time.

Even though the stems and foliage appear inactive and resting for the winter, the roots are having a go all winter.

The roots are using leftover goodies from the leaves to explore new ground in search of water and nutrients while anchoring the plant.

Since the leaves don't require a lot of water and nutrients in fall and winter as they do during the growing season, the roots don't have to share their food with other parts of the plant.

By spring, fall planted ornamentals are well established and eagerly awaiting the growing season.

Houseplant Insects And Their Control

Identification and control of plant pests are important if houseplants are to be maintained in an attractive, vigorous condition. Insect and mite infestations often develop on green houseplants. They sometimes become heavily infested with these pests before they are recognized and any attempt is made in controlling them. Prevention of insect or mite infestations is usually the best method of control.

Inspect new plants carefully before purchasing. If signs of insects are present, choose another plant. It is often advisable to quarantine new

plants upon purchase or receipt as a gift for a week or more. This allows time for inspection to detect the plant and helps prevent pest infestation of other plants.

An important practice in maintaining pest free plants is sanitation. Keep foliage clean by gently wiping leaves with a moist tissue or soft cloth.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

By Angela Hughes - County Agent

After-The-Holidays Diet

Well, the holidays are over now and many people are moaning about how they've gained weight. If you're one of those people, you may want to diet not lose that year-end holiday fat. Excess weight gain can add fat cells that are hard to lose.

Check with your doctor for a well-balanced, moderate-calorie diet suited to your needs. Most such diets will advise that you:

*Reduce your intake of alcoholic beverages and lower fats and sugars.

*Increase carbohydrates from raw fruits, vegetables and whole grain breads and cereals.

*Use low-fat dairy products.

*Include some lean meat, fish and poultry in your diet. Cook the poultry without the skin.

With the properly balanced diet and adequate exercise, you could lose one to two pounds a week. Whatever you do, avoid crash diets. They cause you to mainly lose fluids, not body fat, and for some people, this can be dangerous.

Space Heater Dangers

Many Coffee Countians rely on gas, oil, kerosene or electric space heaters to see them through the winter. Unfortunately, these appliances can pose serious hazards such as explosions, carbon monoxide poisoning, burns and shock.

Always be aware of safety when operating these appliances. To avoid explosions with space heaters, never forget the cardinal rule: first light the match, then turn on the gas. If you fail to light the heater on the first try, allow enough time for the gas to evaporate before trying again.

Remember never completely fill a heater with fuel, because the fuel will expand as it warms and could spill and flare up. And, avoid the fate of those who decided to clean something with gasoline or another flammable liquid, only to have the vapors flow to the heater and ignite.

Complaints And Re-

dress

What should you do if you've bought a product or service and it breaks down, falls apart, or doesn't work right?

Return it to the store where you bought it or call the person who provided you with the service. You'll need information about the date, place and time of purchase; the price; and the exact problem you've discovered. Be polite, and get the person's name you're complaining to-if this contact doesn't produce results, contact that person's supervisor.

If it doesn't work, go to the manufacturer or company headquarters. Their consumer affairs or customer relations department should give you the quickest action. If this still doesn't work, you can go to your state or local consumer attorney's office-or to an independent trade mediation panel.

If you still haven't achieved any results, you may want to take your complaint to a small claims court.



NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE AWARD - The Alabama Cooperative Extension Service was presented with the National Weather Service's Organizational Operational Contribution award, one of two presented nationwide, at the group's national meeting in Denver, Col. Displaying the award from left are Roger Getz, Southeastern Agricultural Weather Service Center; and Jay Whitman, Auburn University, management information analyst. Whitman, formerly of Elba, was one of a group of specialists cited for their work with the program. Extension's computerized weather program, developed jointly with the Southeastern Agricultural Weather Service Center, gives Alabama producers and nurserymen up-to-the-minute, accurate weather forecasts through their local Extension offices. In making the award, the National Weather Service cited the program for helping growers avoid millions of dollars worth of damages during two severe frosts in 1987 and 1988, as well as for aiding growers during this summer's drought.

Area Students Named To Dean's List At ESJC

Enterprise State Junior College recently announced that a total of 196 students were named to the Fall Quarter Dean's List.

Students qualifying for the Dean's List must be full-time students (scheduling 12 or more hours), and maintain a minimum of a 3.50 GPA during the quarter. Students included from this area are:

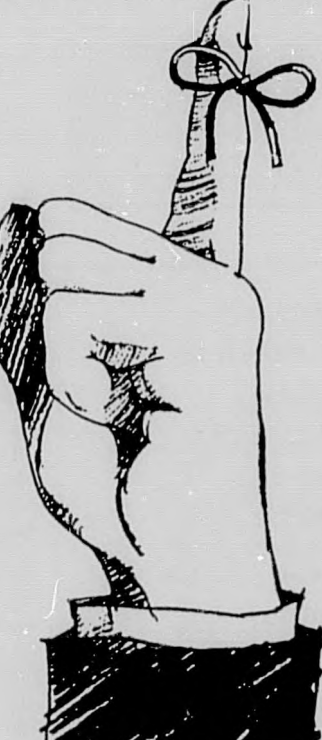
From New Brockton - Robert C. Adkinson, Dwayne Bowman, Heather Dunaway, Debra C. Hardwick, Linda K. Hatcher, A. Paige Jacobs, Karen M. Robinson, Teresa Sinsis, Phillip E. Smith and Jack A. Spencer.

From Elba - Kimberly Hornsby and Herbert H. McCall.

From Jack - Henrietta Allen and Cheryl Griswold.



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***And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.

In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was the tree of life, which bore twelve manner of fruit, and yielded her fruit every month; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

And there shall be no night there; and they need not candle, neither light of the sun, for the Lord God giveth them light; and they shall reign forever and ever. Rev. 22:1-6

***Thinking of you, praying for you: Mrs. Pearl Tillis, Mrs. Nadine Daniels, Mrs. Susie McMillan, Mrs. Hannah Coleman, Mrs. Annie M. Siler, Mr. Rayfield Carpenter, Mrs. Willie Pearl Daniels.

***Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Purvis (Essie) and Tracy, Sarasota, Fla.; Mr. Tillman Lindsey, Elba, and Mrs. Nettie Ruth Hogan, Enterprise, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lemon Bae (Ruthie Mae) and JoAnn of New Brockton, Sunday, Christmas Day.

***Fetion in Faith I am empty, Lord, fill me, Sick with sorrow, heal me, Blinded by worldly ways, show me, Like an earthly garden, Lord, I need you to tend me.

Like a garment worn and torn: mend me, Like an empty cup: fill me till I overflow.

With your loving goodness, Lord, So all the world may know, That I was empty, Lord, and you filled me, Sick with sorrow, yet you healed me.

Blinded with worldly ways, until you come to show me, That the only way to peace, dear Lord, is to thank You.

—Terry Tucker Francis

***Tillman Lindsey, Ernestine Kelley, Vera Williams, Tyrone Kelley and Eria Belcher were visitors of "Milton and Betty Belcher and family" in Montgomery last week. Milton and family were weekend guests of Mr. Lindsey, and Grover and Eria

Belcher during the holidays.

***Milton Belcher, Montgomery, and Tillman Lindsey, Elba, were visitors at the VA Hospital in Tuskegee last week. Mr. Tillman was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Isaiah Franklin.

***Greg Kelley, Marcus Kelley and Derrick Hooks traveled to Keesler AFB, Miss., as guests of Sgt. Warren Belcher during the Christmas holidays.

***Mrs. Meria M. Rowe and Mr. Kaiser Seay, Lake Wales, Fla., visited relatives and friends in Elba during the Christmas holidays.

***Visitors for worship services at the Rocky Head M.B. Church, Elba, for Christmas Day were Otis Johnson, Joyce, Theo and Kathy, Tuscumbia; Mrs. Jessie Bell, Brewton; Daryl Crittenden, Jacksonville, Fla.; Kenneth Twenty, Jackie and J.D., Augusta, Ga.; Essie Phillips, Elba; Foy and Johnnie Ruth Belcher, Jersey City, N.J.; Mike Crittenden, Beaufort, S.C.

***Mac Satchel and Ludie Mae Everett, Enterprise; W.H. and Elouise Caldwell, Elba, visited Mr. Tillman Lindsey New Year's Day.

***The home of Mr. Tillman Lindsey, Rt. 2, Old Curtis Road, was the place to be for family and friends for Christmas Day.

Those enjoying the celebration were Tillman Lindsey, Alan Belcher and D.J.; Doris Waters, Timothy Williams, Tina and Shane, Essie Phillips and children, Vera Williams, Lucile Rieux, Ernestine Kelley, Greg, Curtis, Jana, Wesley, Melissa, Anthony, Tonya Smith, Tyrone Kelley, Maria, Brandon, Brandy, Kimberly and Marcus; Grover and Eria Belcher, all of Elba.

Mary Redman and grandchildren, Lizzie Seay, Wiley Brooks, Juanita and DeNard, all of Enterprise; Sgt. Warren Belcher, Keesler AFB, Miss.; Otis Johnson, Joyce, Theo and Kathy, Tuscumbia.

***The Sunbeam Dept. of Bethlehem Baptist Church, Elba, presented a playlet entitled "A Most Precious Gift," at the annual Christmas program of the Mulberry Baptist District Association Dec. 23 at 6 p.m. at the Mulberry Educational Building, Elba.

Characters were Dolores Tillis, D'Andrea Peterson, Elizabeth Slodum, Annette Brooks, Julius Peterson, Curtis Kelley, Sterling Jones, D'Shun Brooks, Mel Germany, Bobby Burks, Aroha Wright, Kevin Burks, Tonya Peterson.

The program also included singing Christmas carols and hymns.

The invocation was given by Rev. W.L. Peterson, sermon - Dr. J.G. Chalmers, greetings - Eria Belcher, readings - Lillie Ward, Gladys Yelverton, Rev. G.C. Thomas is pastor. Dr. John Gray presented the speaker.

***Mr. Leo Hammonds, Montgomery, visited relatives in Elba, including Grover and Eria Belcher on Christmas Day.

***The Trailblazer award for the black American whose efforts over the past year have resulted in a first ever trailblazing achievement of excellence - recipient - the Rev. Jesse Jackson - for his achievement as the first black to mount a serious challenge for nomination as the Democratic candidate for president.

***SSA Harold and Arrosia Williams, Schweinfurt, West Germany, Washington, D.C., and Aiken, S.C., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Williams (Vera) during the Christmas holidays.

***Jeff Bennett, Audrey, Melody, and band boosters encourage all students to attend.

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200 Buford Street
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FORECLOSURE SALE

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WHEREAS, default has been made by the mortgagors in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said mortgage and the performance of the terms of said mortgage and said default continuing;

NOW, THEREFORE, Goldmere Credit Corporation, a corporation, the Mortgagee and owner of said mortgage, will, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, between the legal hours of sale, on the 16th day of January, 1989, at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in front of the Courthouse door of Coffee County, Alabama, in the City of Elba, Alabama, the real estate embraced in said mortgage described as follows:

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It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment, and accordingly, the City of Elba has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (PL 91-190). The reasons for such decisions not to prepare such statement are as follows: The City did not have an Environmental Assessment, so there is not a need for an impact study.

An Environmental Review Record respecting the within project has been made by the City of Elba which documents the environmental review of the project and more fully sets forth the reasons why such Statement is not required. This Environmental Review Record is on file at the above address and is available for public examination and copying, upon request, at Elba City Hall between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Interested agencies, groups, and persons disagreeing with the decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the City of Elba to the Office of the Mayor. Such written comments should be received at the City Hall on or before January 20, 1989. All such comments so received will be considered and the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs, OSPPD Division, 3465 Norman Bridge Road, P.O. Box 2939, Montgomery, AL 36105-0939, will not request the release of federal funds or take any administrative action on the within project until immediately notify Holmes and Green, Inc., P.O. Box 1351, Dothan, AL 36302, Architect.

Fred W. Moore, Mayor
City of Elba
200 Buford Street
Elba, Alabama 36323
January 5, 1989
1-5-1tc

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF COFFEE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE
FORECLOSURE SALE

WHEREAS, Elmer E. Twilley and wife, Barbara Twilley, executed to First Capital Mortgage Corporation a mortgage on the 6th day of April, 1988, a mortgage upon the real estate hereinafter described to secure an indebtedness of \$25,000.00, and the said mortgage being recorded in Mortgage Book 86-A, at Pages 620, which said mortgage and the deed secured thereby was transferred and assigned by First Capital Mortgage Corporation to Goldmere Credit Corporation by Assignment dated April 6, 1988, which is duly recorded in Miscellaneous Record Book 449, in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Coffee County, Alabama, at Elba, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, default has been made by the mortgagors in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said mortgage and the performance of the terms of said mortgage and said default continuing;

NOW, THEREFORE, Goldmere Credit Corporation, a corporation, the Mortgagee and owner of said mortgage, will, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, between the legal hours of sale, on the 16th day of January, 1989, at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in front of the Courthouse door of Coffee County, Alabama, in the City of Elba, Alabama, the real estate embraced in said mortgage described as follows:

That part of the NW-1/4 of NE-1/4, Section 26, T. 7 N. R. 21 E., Coffee County, Alabama, containing 20 acres more or less.

PARCEL NO. 2: That certain lot or parcel of land in the City of Elba, Alabama, together with all improvements thereon, described as follows: Commencing at the corner of the identical parcel of land owned by W.W. Bouwell from J.D. Lee and Fide Lee by conveyance which is recorded in the probate records of Elba, Alabama, at Deed Book D-2, Page 331, and lying in Coffee County, Alabama.

LESS AND EXCEPT that certain strip of land used as a driveway which was heretofore conveyed by H.L. Freeman to William Elbridge Twilley by warranty deed dated May 9, 1986, recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate at Deed Book 85-A, Page 39-40.

LESS AND EXCEPT one parcel land adjoining the rear (Northwest) property line of William Elbridge Twilley being bound and described as follows: Beginning at the North Corner of the Elbridge and Emily Twilley home lot (described in warranty deed dated September 11, 1957, recorded at Deed Book 26-A, Page 469); Thence Southwesterly along the Northwest property line of the Twilley home lot a distance of 80 feet to the West corner of said Twilley home lot marked by a 24 inch water oak tree; Thence North 74 degrees West along an established line a distance of 93 feet to a point marked by a 1 inch diameter galvanized pipe; Thence North 33 degrees East along a line parallel with the aforementioned lot line a distance of 80 feet to a point; Thence South 74 degrees East a distance of 93 feet to the point of beginning. Said excepted lot measuring 80 feet by 93 feet and adjoining the Northwest property line of grantors' home lot.

Said sale will be made for the purpose of realizing the mortgage debt, together with all expenses of this sale, including a reasonable attorney's fee. This 13th day of December, 1



ELBA, ALABAMA

Prices Effective January 4-10, 1989. Limits rights reserved. None sold to dealers.

<p style="text-align: center;">KELLEY'S</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SMOKED SAUSAGE</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">\$1.49</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LB.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FRESH LEAN ASSORTED</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pork Chops</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">\$1.49</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LB.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FRESH LEAN COUNTRY STYLE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pork Ribs</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">\$1.49</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LB.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">10 LB. BAG</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Leg Quarters</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">39¢</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LB.</p>
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Elderly Elba man dies in Friday afternoon blaze

A 70-year-old Elba man died from smoke inhalation Friday afternoon, January 6, when a fire swept through his brick home located on Taylor Mill Road.

Robert Timothy Gray, age 70, was trapped in his home Friday by a fire that was believed to have started in the den area of the residence. Firefighters were informed by neighbors that the man was in the burning home and his body was discovered in a back bedroom after firemen broke through a window

and searched the smoke-filled home. Witnesses at the scene reported hearing the elderly man screaming for help as the fire spread, but all efforts to save the man were prevented by the blaze.



ELBA FIREMEN WORK TO EXTINGUISH BLAZE. Members of the Elba Fire Department are pictured above pouring water into the bedroom in which Robert Gray, age 70, was believed to be during a fire last Friday afternoon. The elderly Elba resident was found in the room dead after firemen were able to enter the room through a window and search the smoke-filled home.

County Commission approves design and financing plan for new \$1 million health office in Enterprise

The Coffee County Commission met in regular session on Monday, January 9, at the courthouse in Elba and gave its approval to preliminary plans for the new county health department to be constructed in Enterprise, as well as choosing a financial institutional to handle the sale of bonds to cover the \$1 million cost of construction.

Don Bowden, the architect for the project, told the commissioners that the current design for the building would cost an estimated \$56 per square foot and would include 16,000 square feet of heated space. Bowden reported that he had met with health department officials and the design unveiled at the meeting was the result of a cutback in waste space and the elimination of some planned office space.

The new building will include a centralized lobby and waiting area, with two wings to house nurses and other administrative officials. A representative of a Montgomery financial and investment company was also present at the meeting and told the commission that it would cost the county approximately \$97,000 per year for 20 years to finance \$1 million in bonds.

Comm. Billy Eagerston stated that he believed the county's portion of the 16 sales tax would amount to only \$80-\$85,000 annually, but then re-figured the monthly checks already received and agreed that the tax would generate enough to make the annual payment of \$97,000.

The commission discussed the building and then voted unanimously to approve the plans designed by the architect and to employ the firm of Thornton, Farris

and Gaunt to handle the sale of the bonds. Comm. Robert Stephens told the commission that he would like to see an additional \$300,000,000 added to the amount of the bonds to be sold and to use the extra money for renovations at the jail, with the funds used to make the payments coming from the share of the sales tax earmarked for the jail.

The commission agreed that the share of the tax could be used to make the payments on a bond, but took no action on the matter. In other action at Monday's meeting, the commission:

***approved the low from Heath Oil on gasoline and diesel fuel for the county;

***was told no bids were received for the sale and removal of the Elcanor Lee home;

***rejected all bids on two cars for the Sheriff's Dept. and agreed to rebid;

***was introduced to Jack Hanson, the employee of the month in the highway department;

***told county engineer Mark Pool to inform the S.A. Graham Construction Company that it was to County Road 71 or to pay the county and the highway department would do the repairs;

***received fuel consumption reports;

***told county engineer Mark Pool not to survey the Palmer Road where it meets the Geneva County line because the county was not involved in a lawsuit involving the exact location of the county line;

***was instructed to conduct a survey at each voting place in the county to determine whether or not

the voting places were accessible to handicapped and elderly;

***was presented the assessment report of the Coffee County Board of Education;

***was informed that Mrs. Robert Wise had resigned from the Crossroads Regional Library Board after serving on the board since 1947;

***approved the use of the county farm center as an alternate assembly point for the national guard;

***was informed that Probate Judge Marion Brunson would be sworn in on Saturday, January 14, at the Elba courthouse;

***passed a resolution honoring Judge Brunson for his dedicated service during his six years as chairman of the commission;

***approved a water system map concerning the application for federal grants;

***heard Betty Williams complain about problems she and members of her family encountered with Revenue Commissioner Ronnie Burns while trying to pay property taxes in the county;

***and, was reminded that the farm center needed additional tables and chairs for use by large groups.

After hearing the presentation

Elba council buys police car

The Elba City Council bought a new police car, paid the bills and made a number of board appointments Monday evening during their regular meeting with all members present.

Two bids were received on a 1989 police car, equipped with a full police package, Dixie Ford and Cook Chevrolet were the lone bidders on the equipment. Cook submitted the low bid of \$12,419.00 and was named the successful bidder.

Mayor Fred Moore noted that Elba was getting the advantage of Chevrolet having the state bid for police cars this year. He said this accounted for the good price received on the Chevrolet vehicle.

New members were appointed to both the Elba Planning and Zoning Board and the Elba Zoning Board of Adjustments. The lists are for the complete component of members, as all appointments had expired previously and members had not been reappointed or replaced. They were continuing to serve until replaced as provided for in Alabama law.

Appointments and reappointments to the Board of Adjustments are Frances Brunson, Wilson Dyess, Myrna Rhoades, Mac Moore, Ann Tucker, Rev. W. T. Harris and James R. Bush.

All the appointments were for staggered terms as required in Alabama law.

Police Chief Freddie Hanchey introduced the council members to returning police officer Donnie Byrd. He had previously worked with Elba and had been gone for about eighteen months. The council voted to rehire Byrd on a permanent basis after being assured he had completed all the necessary schooling to be a qualified patrolman.

Hanchey also reported on the activity of his department during the past two weeks. This included answering 113 complaints, investigating

four traffic accidents and issuing 44 traffic citations, including four DUI tickets.

Patrolman Johnny Senn is presently attending the police academy in Montgomery and Officer Randy White is in Selma in Intoxilizer school. Hanchey explained this will give Elba three officers qualified to administer this drunk driving test.

Bills totaling \$8,423.35 were presented to the council and approved for payment. They included \$1873.38 to replace a heating and cooking unit at the Reserve Center and \$1388.90 for sewer solvent.

Council member Eddie Vaughan reported to the council that the clean-up committee was making progress and had plans for cleaning up additional city property and was working with the Chamber of Commerce in planning a city-wide clean-up in the early spring of this year.

The final order of business was a report by Mayor Moore that he and the city clerk had met last Friday with James Chumney concerning the power dam. He noted that Chumney expected to have the proper federal permits in place and the city clerk had met last Friday with James Chumney concerning the power dam. He noted that Chumney expected to have the proper federal permits in place and the city clerk had met last Friday with James Chumney concerning the power dam.

The Elba City Council met Wednesday morning with Drexel Cook, Chairman of the Elba Hospital Authority and the attorney for the authority, Merrill Shirley.

The meeting was to discuss plans for the future of the facility and ways of financing the ongoing operation of the hospital as well as repaying the Farmers' Home Administration expansion loan.

The hospital is presently leased to National Health Care, but the local Hospital Authority (which is an arm of the city government) is making plans to again assume management responsibility of the facility in the near future.

County board ok's \$2.5 million renovation project

The Coffee County Board of Education met Monday night, January 9, in Elba and gave final approval to a \$2.5 million renovation plan which will include improvements at all three county schools.

Howard Green, the architect for the project, and Jimmy Baker, a financial consultant for a Montgomery firm, were present at Monday's meeting and explained to the board the details of the construction and the method of financing the actual costs.

Construction is expected to begin this summer and the complete school could take three years to finish.

In other action at Monday night's meeting, the board:

***approved minutes of the December 8 and December 27 meetings;

***accepted a letter of retirement, effective at the end of the

1988-89 school year, from Opal Stinson, a teacher at Zion Chapel Elementary School;

***employed Brenda Stuckey as a temporary aid to provide home-bound services for a student;

***applied for Federal Impact Aid to receive funds for students who have parents in the armed services, working on federal property or residing on federal property;

***nominated Betty Referee, a teacher at Zion Chapel Elementary School, and Elsie Hilton, a teacher at New Brockton High School, for teacher-of-the-year honors;

***heard Supt. Clayton Bryant state that several applications have been received for the positions of football coach at Zion Chapel and principal at Kinston.

May is month telephone service should improve

During the month of May almost 3,200 telephone subscribers in Elba will have greatly improved service as a result of a \$1.5 million digital electronic communication system now being installed by GTE South.

A state-of-the-art fully digital Northern Telecom DMS-10 switch will provide telephone customers many new options, as well as enhanced call processing after it is placed in service.

"Customers will immediately notice improvements such as softer dial tone, a faster connection and higher quality transmission," said Rex M. Shiver, GTE district customer service manager.

Within one month after conversion to the digital call processing system, Elba customers will have the option of subscribing to Smart Call features which will include Call Waiting, Call Forwarding, Three-way calling and speed calling. Custom calling features are not available in exchanges served by analog switching equipment.

The digital equipment is the most advanced system of its type and will offer the technology to carry us well into the 21st century," said Shiver.

An additional upgrade in service provided through the switching conversion will be Equal Access for other long distance companies if they choose to offer services in the exchange. Equal Access will be implemented July 29 in Elba.

Two Work Release inmates located near Midland City

Two inmates from the Elba Work Release Center that were reported missing from their jobs on Saturday, December 31, were recaptured recently in Midland City.

Jeffrey Wayne Holloway, age 24, and Ludell J. Worley, age 25, were reported to be missing from their jobs and police in Midland City were notified that the pair could be in the Dale County area.

The inmates were spotted in the early hours of Sunday morning, January 1, in two cars and caught by Midland City police as they attempted to flee.

Holloway was being held at the Elba facility for second degree theft of property, while Worley was serving time for drug violations. Both men have been transported to prison and will face escape charges.

City and county students get break

Students in the Elba City Schools and Coffee County School system will get a two-day holiday soon due to teacher work days and the observance of Martin Luther King's birthday.

Elba students will be on vacation Monday, Jan. 16 and Tuesday, Jan. 17, while county students will be out of class Jan. 13 and Jan. 16.

Stolen car recovered near Elba

A Pennsylvania man charged with burglary and auto theft in Dothan was captured on Tuesday, January 2, near Elba by Alabama State Trooper Ronnie Whitworth.

Trooper Whitworth reported that the man had reportedly been spotted near Arton when a call was received concerning a traffic accident on Highway 84 West, near the Curtis Community.

After arriving at the scene of the one-vehicle accident, Whitworth discovered that the driver had left the vehicle and was last seen hitchhiking.

The trooper stated he saw a man getting into a log truck some 200 yards from the scene of the accident and stopped the truck.

After questioning, it was discovered that the man who was involved in the accident was Stephen R. Whalen, age 39, of Holland, Pennsylvania, and was wanted in connection with the robbery of a woman in Dothan and the theft of her car.

The fugitive was charged with driving under the influence by Whitworth and turned over to officials of the Alabama Bureau of Investigation.